

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Summary of the Office Action

Claims 10-17 and 21-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention.

Claims 1-9, 18-20 are allowed.

Claims 10-17, 21-26 would be allowed if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C § 112, second paragraph.

2. Response to 35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

Claims 10 and 21, as amended, and their respective dependent claims are not indefinite. The term “whether or not certain features are found in” has been deleted from claim 10. Regarding claim 21, the term “bandwidth mismatches” has been replaced with “bandwidth mismatches at nodes of the networks”.

The amendments are supported by the specification as originally filed, for example, page 11, paragraph [0026]. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

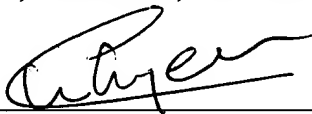
3. **Conclusion**

Having tendered the above remarks and amended the claims as indicated herein, the Applicants respectfully submit that all rejections have been addressed and that the claims are now in a condition for allowance, which is earnestly solicited.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Jaina Chua at (408) 947-8200.

Respectfully submitted,

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